

AMUSEMENTS.

NEW STADT THEATRE, 45 and 47 Bowery.—Part Jones the Pilot; Game Cock of the Winteras; and Robert Burns.
BOWERY THEATRE—The Sons of Liberty or, The True Heart of Old Ireland, and the Heart of the Great Country.
BROADWAY THEATRE—Flash of Lightning. Matinee on Saturday.
WALLACK'S—Lottery of Life, with an excellent distribution of characters.
WORRELL SISTERS' NEW YORK THEATRE, 78 and 79 Broadway—Grand Success. Matinee on Saturday.
PHYSIOLOGICAL CLASS ROOM, 289 Broadway—Free Scientific Lectures.
ART GALLERY, 58 Broadway—Great National Painting. The New Republic or Emancipation.
NATIONAL ACADEMY OF DESIGN, 2nd st. and 46th av.—Annual Exhibition.

The Sun.

It Shines for All.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17, 1868.

Gamblers.

To the rural sight-seer, the most attractive persons on Broadway are the Gentlemen who fight the Tugger, whose resplendent attire and fascinating manners exercise a dazzling influence on the unapplied imagination. The stranger immediately concludes that they are millionaires, and for a little while is in doubt which is A. T. Stewart and which is W. B. Astor, but finally, recollecting that both of these gentlemen are above middle age, while the persons before him are still in the bloom of manhood, he mentally decides that the one on the right is undoubtedly Mr. J. G. Bennett, Jr., and his companion young Mr. Vanderbilt.

The application to these brilliant personages of the saying, "They see not, neither do they resp. yet Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these," is exceedingly appropriate, and it is a proof of the barbare tastes of country people that they are professedly connoisseurs even though nothing more than an apparent victory. She is still more favorably situated in Austria than she is in this country, and we know very well that her influence here is not in the least diminished, but, on the contrary, increased, by her having no civil power. The majority of the population of Austria still acknowledge her spiritual authority, and still look to her as the Mother Church; and there, as here, her priests are respected and honored. There is no sign of social position, but unfortunately they are too often made aware of the ease with which a gentleman can take advantage of misplaced confidence.

The gamblers, however, are quite regular in their operations, and never attempt anything which is not professionally legitimate. Most of them, be it said to the credit, will not stoop to crime, and many undoubtedly think that their occupation is perfectly honorable and proper. They deem themselves a higher class, associate only with each other, and never mix with those whom they despise. The police speak well of gamblers as regards criminal practices, and seem to hold them quite in respect.

Gambling halls are to be found in all parts of the city, but particularly on Broadway; and in spite of the efforts of the Anti-Gambling Society, the practice will probably continue as long as human nature remains unchanged. With every nation and race of men the passion for games of chance is found to exist, and it seems to be much more widely extended in modern society than it was in antiquity. The fairs and other establishments in New York are well patronized, and hundreds of persons are regular frequenters of them. The larger gambling operations, whose centres are in Wall street and Broad street, are likewise constantly frequent. The habit is seldom abandoned when once acquired, and almost every one that follows it firmly believes that there is a certain mode of playing which always brings luck, and which he is on the eve of discovering.

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Judge Chase is emphatically in favor of appreciating the wisdom of his financial policy. He is a hard money man; yet, as the Irishman, when he saw a donkey, declared that he had found the father of all rabbits, so we find in Chief Justice Chase, the father of all greenbacks—in fact, Old Greenbacks himself.

PENNINGTON is not afraid of him on the land question; he is abiding him; for it is well understood that although Judge Chase made greenbacks legal tender, he is now in favor of declaring them not to be a legal tender for any debt incurred since the war. He is, of course, in favor of paying the bonds in greenbacks; for the bonds must be paid in them when there is no other use to put them to.

When the Chief Justice says he is in favor of appreciating the wisdom of his financial policy, Judge Chase may point proudly to Jay Cooke, as an illustration. If it has worked so well for him, why should it not work well for everybody?

The Democrats might think that Judge Chase would be squeamish in his selections for office; but he is not over particular about men, so that they are his friends; for while he stands himself even, over six feet in his stockings and immovable crinoline, can hardly point to Calicut in his parti-colored suit as one of his confidential friends?

Judge Chase's notions on the negro question will do no harm with the Democracy of the Southern States; for while he is in favor of allowing intelligent colored gentlemen to vote, he would rather leave it to their former owners to decide whether they shall be permitted to vote or not. If they do vote, of course he expects them to vote for him; but so that no Democrat can object to, provided the Chief Justice is the Democratic candidate.

In short, Judge Chase is willing to go far as he can in every direction, for everything, and against everything, if he can only be elected President. He does it so, with such dignity and such perfect consistency that no one can find any fault. The Democracy cannot have a more faultless candidate.

The Soldiers' Business Messenger and Dispatch Company, which commenced operations with such a flourish of trumpets about a year ago, after having obtained from the Legislature, as a free gift, in consideration of its supposed charitable purpose, a privilege of occupying with its booths parts of our sidewalks and streets, worth some hundreds of thousands of dollars, would now seem to be nothing more or less than an ingenious device for putting money into the pockets of its officers. Thus, the President gets a salary of \$3,000 per annum; the Superintendent, \$2,000; the Secretary, \$2,500; and the Inspector of Booths, \$2,200; while the crippled soldiers, who do all the work, are paid only 47.50 per week, and in some cases \$5 per week. Besides this, each man is compelled, when he is engaged, to purchase a uniform worth from \$10 to \$12, at the price of \$25.50, and \$2 per week is

deducted from his wages until it is paid for, leaving him but \$5 per week on which to live and support his family! It is very clear that whatever other merits the Company possesses, it is not entitled to the credit of being a benevolent institution.

The war waged by Brazil and her allies against Paraguay seems to be as far from a termination as ever. Humaita, in spite of all reports to the contrary, is still held by the Paraguayans; and the last assault of the allies upon its rear works was decisively repulsed. The number of the allied troops in the field is estimated at 50,000, while that of their opponents is only 20,000, and the garrison of the fort at Humaita is only 2,000. The population of the allied nations is still more disproportioned to that of Paraguay, being but 1,000,000, while theirs, in the aggregate, amounts to 11,500,000. Yet, with all these odds, the contest has already been protracted several years, and neither party gives signs of exhaustion. The reason seems to be that the campaign ground is so obstructed with swamps, forests, and rivers that no decisive battle can be fought. Like the Scandinavians during the Florida war, the Paraguayans are protected by the thick forest of the interior, which, and the ruggedness of the soil, render the roads difficult to be made, and the day already mentioned.

Mr. Doh is having the plot in an interesting way. We have given only the map on which everything turns. Of course, there is much more to the story. The poor combatant goes to strange places and meets with perilous adventures. She takes passage to Albany for the action is located in the Hudson, and the play is in progress and the opera referred to in the last issue is instrumental in tracing the true course of the thief, and is made happy with the last heart of the felon, which is as bad as the villain's.

The *World* has an article which shows very clearly the extent of the political changes which have just taken place in Oregon. Last year the Republicans had a majority of six in the State Senate, and one in the House. This year the Democrats have a majority of two in the Senate, and five in the House. At the same time the Democratic candidate for Governor is elected by a majority of more than 1,000, while two years since the Republican candidate was elected by a majority of 500. These are striking facts, and our Democratic friends have a right to rejoice at them. But the *World* does not represent as important as the Protestant Reformation has been accomplished without a struggle, and with outstaging much more public attention than the passage of an ordinary statute.

After all, Rome really loses nothing by this repeat, nor do her enemies gain anything more than an apparent victory. She is still more favorably situated in Austria than she is in this country, and we know very well that her influence here is not in the least diminished, but, on the contrary, increased, by her having no civil power. The majority of the population of Austria still acknowledge her spiritual authority, and still look to her as the Mother Church; and there, as here, her priests are respected and honored. There is no sign of social position, but unfortunately they are too often made aware of the ease with which a gentleman can take advantage of misplaced confidence.

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